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Mr. Barry Goldwater,
Phoenix, Arizona

Dear Sir:

You may remember me as the reporter who covered the Sarasota Holiday Inn brunch (the Joe Z. Lovingood affair) recently, and I also used to interview you for UPI and the Chicago papers when I was in that territory. (I'm enclosing clipping of my last story about you.)

As present Associate Editor of the Sunday Magazine of the Bradenton Herald, I have been writing some material on UFOs both for magazine and news sections of the paper. Have a series starting Jan. 1 on UFOs Over Florida.

I'm writing to get the facts on something mentioned about you by Mel Noel (identified as a former Air Force pilot and now commercial airline pilot from Los Angeles, Calif. who lectures on UFO sightings) at a UFO Seminar I covered in Clearwater in November.

Noel said you had tried to get permission at Wright Air Force Hdqtrs. in Dayton, Ohio to view evidence they are supposed to be keeping under wraps there, that is, evidence which would prove saucers are real and intelligently controlled etc. This would presumably be physical evidence. He (Noel) said you asked to see it because you said the American people had a right to know what is going on, but that officials at Wright refused. Is this story correct? I'll appreciate it if you will verify or refute this because I want to know the correct version.

Also do you have anything you could tell me or do you wish to comment on what may be the result of the research being done on a federal grant by the University of Colorado. Do you believe the findings will be released or shelved. Do you believe that 1967 will be a year when a more serious attitude toward UFO research will be taken by the government and Air Force? Many persons still feel that facts are being suppressed and that there is no use in reporting any sighting or incident to authorities because the "sighter" will be discredited or publicly made to appear foolish. I am sure you are fighting for a more open-minded attitude on UFO research and informing the public.

Thank you and everyone in this area will be looking forward to your visit to Fort Myers Feb. 2.

Sincerely,

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